

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-3219

**2011 “Artistic Discovery” Congressional High School Art Competition
for the 19th Congressional District of New York**

Guidelines:

The competition is open to high school students, grades 9 through 12 only. Exceptions may be made for schools that have grades 7 through 12 on one campus.

ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT

Artwork must be two-dimensional.

Each piece can be **no larger** than 28” x 28” x 4” (28 inches high, 28 inches wide, and 4 inches deep), including the frame. If your artwork is selected as the winning piece, it will be required to be framed and must adhere to the size guidelines. **All artwork must be framed or have reinforced backing and be strung with a wire suitable for hanging.** The artwork will be hung from a track wall fixture by a single bracket. The entire weight of the art is hung from a center point; therefore, we request that any artwork with reinforced matting, and no frame, be strung with wire through the matting at the upper right and left corner. We ask that you please test hang the artwork for several days to be sure that when it is hung for the exhibition in the gallery it will not fall, resulting in damage to the art piece.

Artwork cannot weigh more than 15 lbs.

Accepted media for artwork are as follows:

- Paintings: oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc;
- Drawings: pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers;
- Collage;
- Prints: lithographs, silkscreen, block prints;
- Mixed Media: use of more than one media such as pencil, ink, watercolor, etc;
- Computer-Generated Art; and
- Photography.

Each entry must be original in concept, design, and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws. Any entry that has been copied from an existing photo (other than the student’s own), painting, graphic, advertisement, or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and **will not** be accepted. Work entered must be in the original medium (that is, not a scanned reproduction of a painting or drawing).

The first place winner’s artwork will hang in the Capitol for the **entire year** of the exhibition and **cannot** be returned to the student earlier. Students should, therefore, submit artwork they will not need for other purposes. Artwork must adhere to the policy of the House Office Building Commission. In accordance with this policy, exhibits depicting subjects of contemporary political controversy or a sensationalistic or gruesome nature are not allowed. It is necessary that all artwork be reviewed by the panel chaired by the Architect of the Capitol and any portion not in consonance with the Commission’s policy will be omitted from the exhibit. The panel will make the final decision regarding the suitability of all artwork for the Congressional Art Competition exhibition in the Capitol.

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Artwork Entry Form:

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY OR TYPE – Be sure to fully complete the form

- This form may be reproduced for distribution to students
- A copy of this form is to be mailed or faxed to Congresswoman Nan Hayworth's Goshen District Office no later than April 26, 2011 for registration
- Fax number: (845) 291-4146 Telephone: (845) 291-4139
- 255 Main St. Rm 3232G, Goshen, NY 10924
- Attach a second, completed copy of this form to the upper left corner of the back of the artwork
- Also attach a typed one paragraph description of the entry to the back of the artwork

Artwork Drop Off Locations:

- Fishkill District Office
2 Summit Ct Suite 103
Fishkill, NY 12524
(845) 206-4600
- Goshen District Office
255 Main St Rm 3232G
Goshen, NY 10924
(845) 291-4139

2011 Calendar and Deadlines:

April 1 – April 26	Mail or fax entry forms to Congresswoman Hayworth's Goshen District Office
April 5 – April 30	Drop off artwork at either of Congresswoman Hayworth's District Offices in Fishkill or Goshen (Please call first to make sure someone will be there to receive your artwork. Do not leave artwork at the office without speaking to a staff member)
May 1 – May 5	Closed hanging and judging of artwork
May 6	Reception and Awards Ceremony at the Orange County Citizens Foundation Gallery at 23 White Oak Dr, Chester, NY 10981 from 6:30p.m. to 8:30p.m. ET. Awards will be announced at 7:30p.m. ET. Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend
May 6 – May 14	Artwork will be on display at the Orange County Citizens Foundation Gallery
May 14	Artwork must be picked up from the Orange County Citizens Foundation Gallery between 8:00a.m. and 12:00p.m. ET. If a student is unable to pick up their artwork during this time period, other arrangements must be made in advance directly with the Gallery ((845) 469-9459)